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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,061
Confirmation No.: 4091
Filing Date: April 24, 2001
Inventors: Berchenko et al.

**Title: IN SITU THERMAL
PROCESSING OF A COAL
FORMATION WITH A
SELECTED RATIO OF
HEAT SOURCES TO
PRODUCTION WELLS**

Examiner: J. J. Kreck
Art Unit: 3673
Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-06300/EBM

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AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 9, 2003

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Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 9, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

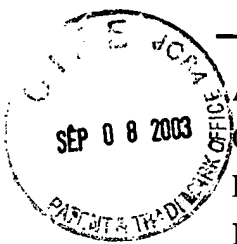
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Sir:

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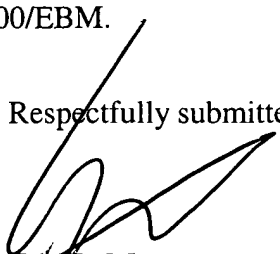
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1. Four additional dependent claims	\$72.00
<u>TOTAL AMOUNT:</u>	<u>\$72.00</u>

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert &

Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-06300/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



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